



E I G H T H A N N U A L

## Regional Economic Forecast for Southern California 2005-2006 Program

**7:45** Registration and Continental Breakfast

**8:30** Welcome

*Hon. Ron Roberts*  
Councilmember, City of Temecula and  
President, Southern California Association  
of Governments

*Eric Garcetti*  
Councilmember, City of Los Angeles  
and Member, Regional Council, Southern  
California Association of Governments

**8:40** Opening Remarks

*Mark Pisano*  
Executive Director  
Southern California Association of Governments

*Hon. Keith McCarthy*  
Mayor Pro Tempore, City of Downey and  
Member, Regional Council, Southern  
California Association of Governments  
CONFERENCE MODERATOR

**8:50** Outlook for the U.S. and California: Is This as  
Good as It Gets?

*Stephen Levy*  
Director, Center for Continuing Study of the  
California Economy (CCSCE)

### ASSUMPTIONS FOR LOCAL PLANNING: Forecasts for the Regional Economy in 2005-2006

**9:10** *Dr. Anil Puri*  
Dean, College of Business and Economics  
and Co-Director, Institute for Economic and  
Environmental Studies,  
California State University, Fullerton

**9:30** *Dr. Lisa Grobar*  
Director, Economic Forecast Project and  
Professor of Economics, California State  
University, Long Beach

**9:50** *Dr. Puri and Dr. Grobar*  
Q & A:

**10:00** BREAK

**10:10** The Cost of Doing Business in California: Will  
Conditions Improve?

*Dr. Mark Schniepp*  
Director, California Economic Forecast Project

**10:30** The Southern California Trade Rush: 21st  
Century Gold?

*James Flanigan*  
Senior Economics Director, Los Angeles Times  
PANEL MODERATOR

*Mark Pisano*  
Executive Director, Southern California  
Association of Governments

*Dr. John Husing*  
President, Economics and Politics, Inc.

*Dr. Steven P. Erie*  
Professor of Political Science, University of  
California, San Diego

**11:30** Tour of Walt Disney Concert Hall

**12:15** LUNCHEON

**1:00** Keynote Presentation

Introduction:  
*Stephen Levy*  
Director, Center for Continuing Study of the  
California Economy (CCSCE)

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

*Sunne Wright McPeak*  
Secretary, California Business, Transportation,  
and Housing Agency

**1:40** Closing Remarks: A Footnote on the  
Conference Forecasts

*Dr. Bruce DeVine*  
Chief Economist, Southern California  
Association of Governments

**1:50** Conference Evaluation form

**2:00** PROGRAM ENDS

